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| Examiner Name          | Timothy J. Kugel |
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Multiple dependent claims

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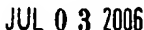
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|--------------------|-----------------------|---|----------------|
|                    | YC                    | Baroid Drilling Fluids Product Information Sheet on RM-63, Rheology Modifier (1990) (2 pages).  |                |
|                    | YD                    | Baroid Drilling Fluids Product Data Sheets (1993) (121 pages)   |                |
|                    | YE                    | Manual of Drilling Fluids Technology, Fundamental Characteristics of Drilling Fluids, NL Baroid/NL Industries, Inc. (1979) (22 pages)   |                |
|                    | YF                    | Halliburton Drilling Fluids Technology --Introduction to Drilling, Dril-N & Completion Fluids   |                |
|                    | YG                    | Minute Entry for Markman Hearing Proceedings in Halliburton v. M-I, 6-05cv155, U.S. District Ct., Eastern District of Texas   |                |
|                    | YH                    | Transcript of Markman Hearing Before Hon. L. Davis in Halliburton v. M-I, 6-05cv155, U.S. District Ct., Eastern District of Texas   |                |
|                    | HI                    | Baroid's Environmentally Safe Fluids--PETROFREE LV, ACCOLADE (31 pages)   |                |
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